

The United States should always be at the forefront of this effort.

I am grateful for the opportunity Americans had to take a leading role in negotiating these agreements and to be among the first nations to sign them. I pledge my best efforts to see that we are also leaders in implementing them and, in so doing, in granting the world's children a future far better than its recent past. I thank all of you for your support as well.

Thank you very much.

NOTE: The President spoke at 3:35 p.m. in the West Foyer at the United Nations. In his remarks, he referred to U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Richard C. Holbrooke; U.N. Deputy Secretary-General Louise Frechette; Olara A. Otunnu, Secretary-General's Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict; Carol Bellamy, executive director, UNICEF; and President Alpha Oumar Konare of Mali.

### **Memorandum on Delegation of Responsibilities Under the Foreign Relations Authorization Act**

*July 5, 2000*

*Memorandum for the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense*

*Subject:* Delegation of Responsibilities Under Section 1232 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001 (Public Law 106–113)

By the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including section 301 of title 3, United States Code, I hereby delegate to the Secretary of Defense the duties and responsibilities vested in the President by section 1232 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001 (the "Act") (Public Law 106–113), to transfer from War Reserve Allies Stockpiles in Korea and Thailand to the Republic of Korea and the Kingdom of Thailand, respectively, in return for concessions to be negotiated by the Secretary of Defense, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, any or all of the items described in paragraph (a)(2) of section 1232 of the Act, subject to the conditions, requirements, and limitations set forth in section 1232 of the Act.

Any reference in this memorandum to the provisions of any Act shall be deemed to be a reference to such Act or its provisions as may be amended from time to time.

The authority delegated to the Secretary of Defense may be redelegated in writing within the Department of Defense.

The Secretary of Defense is authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

**William J. Clinton**

### **Remarks at a Military Salute Week Dinner in New York City**

*July 5, 2000*

Please be seated. Let me say, first of all, I'm delighted to be here at Boomer Esiason's podium. [Laughter] When he was up here talking about being President, it was all I could do to avoid screaming, "Throw long, throw long!" [Laughter]

I want to also thank my good friend Lieutenant General Marty Steele, who is the president of the Intrepid Museum. It's a big step forward for him. He, like me, he was born and grew up in Arkansas, and he never saw a ship this big in his life until he was too old to figure out how to run one. [Laughter] So I appreciate your broadening his experience in life.

I'd like to thank the Members of Congress who are here, and General and Mrs. Shelton, I thank you for being here. And to all the executives who have worked so hard with Tony and the Fisher family to advance the cause of the Intrepid Museum and Foundation, I thank you.

I'd like to say a special word of thanks to Dick Grasso. He is the only person in New York who would give me any credit for the growth of the stock market in this last 7 years. [Laughter] There's ol' Mac saying he's wrong about that. It just shows you how confident Mr. Grasso is in his own leadership. [Laughter]

Let me say I am delighted to be here. Hillary and I were here yesterday with Chelsea for the tall ships and the review of the military ships. It was a magnificent day. I know many of you were here, and it's a